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In re application of:

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Media Component Storage

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**Declaration of Virad Gupta, Shital Mehta, and David Israel
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The undersigned, Virad Gupta, Shital Mehta, and David Israel declare and state that,

1. Each of us are co-inventors of the above-captioned application, U.S. Appl. No. 09/893,742, filed June 29, 2001.

2. Prior to March 8, 2001, we had reduced the invention to practice in the United States, as claimed in the subject application, evidenced by the following:

(a) Exhibit A provides a record from the IP Unity document retrieval system that identifies a system description document that fully described the present claimed invention. The document was completed and stored in the IP Unity document retrieval system before March 8, 2001.

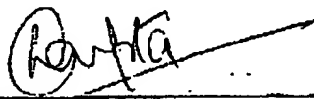
(b) Exhibit B provides a record of the source code file history logs from the IP Unity software source code repository. The redacted dates show that the software used to implement the invention was checked into the repository before March 8, 2001.

3. Thus, the invention was reduced to practice prior to the earliest filing date of U.S. Patent Application No. 2001/0054074, entitled *Electronic Mail System and Device*, filed by Kiyoko Hayashi on March 8, 2001.

4. As a person signing below, I hereby declare that all statements made herein of our my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and

that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issue thereupon.

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